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Hongkong, January 3, 1878.

Notices of Firms.

HORATIO GAY JAMES WAS admitted a Partner in our Firm on the 1st January, 1878. GEO. R. STEVENS & Go. Hongkong, January 5, 1878,

NOTICE.

THE Business hitherto conducted in my name will from This Date be Carried on under the Style of GROSSMANN & Co., Mr G. A. GROSSMANN having become a Partner therein. C. F. GROSSMANN.

Hongkong, January 1, 1878.

NOTICE.

TATR. BERNHARD SCHMACKER authorized to Sign our Firm by procuration. CARLOWITZ & Co.

Canton, Hongkong, Shanghai, January 1, 1878.

NOTICE TAR. H. F. MEYERINK has been M admitted a Partner in our Firm

from This Date. MEYER & Co. Hongkong, January 1, 1878.

NOTIOE. THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr JOSEPH PERBOTT BARNES in our Firm in China CEASES from This Date.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co. Hongkong, December 31, 1877.

NOTICE. TAR. CHARLES DAVID BOTTOMLE was admitted a PARTNER in our Firm on the 1st July, 1877.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, September 22, 1877.

NOTIOE. I HAVE This Day established myself at this Port as a MERCHANT and COM-MISSION AGENT, under the Style or Firm of GEO. R. STEVENS & Co., who will henceforward conduct the Agency of AUSTRALASIAN STRAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

G. R. STEVENS. Hongkong, December 29, 1877.

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J. Y. VERNON SHAW. Hongkong, November 1, 1877. myl

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Hongkong, January 14, 1878.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Twenty-third Ordinary Half-yearly
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be Held at the Office of the Company, No. 50 A, Queen's Road, on FRIDAY, the 25th January Instant, at STORES, of every kind; Fresh Supplies | 3 o'clock in the Afternoon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and electing a Director and

By Order of the Board of Directors, P. A. DA COSTA, Secretary.

Hongkong, January 2, 1878.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 25th day of January instant, both days

By Order of the Board of Directors, P. A. DA COSTA, Secretary.

Hongkong, January 2, 1878.

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Ordinary Half-yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Hotel on FRIDAY, the 25th January instant, at 4 o'clock in the Afternoon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts.

By Order of the Board of Directors, LOUIS HAUSCHILD Secretary.

Hongkong, January 4, 1878.

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 25th day of January Instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, LOUIS HAUSCHILD, Scoretary.

Hongkong, January 4, 1878.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL TENDERS are invited for a LEASE of the HONGKONG HOTEL, the present Five-yearly Lease expiring on the dist August, 1878. BEALED TENDERS to be sent in on or before the 31st March, 1878, to the Secretary of the Hononone HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, who will supply any information required. By Order of the Directors,

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Hongkong, January 15, 1678.

DENTAL NOTICE. TR. ROGERS begs to say that he has RETURNED, and is now ready to receive Patients. Hongkong, November 22, 1877.

NOTICE. PERMANENTLY about the 20th of January, 1878. Hongkong, December 22, 1877.

G. FALCONER & Co., WATCH AND CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS,

JEWELLERS. NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS AND BOOKS.

46. Queen's Road Central. Hongkong, August 20, 1877.

NOTICE. A. MILLAR & Co.,

PLUMBERS, AND GAS FITTERS, Queen's Road East, HONGKONG. September 15, 1877.

NOTICE.

OFFICE OF THE YANGTSZE INSUR-ANCE ASSOCIATION.

SHANGHAI, January 7th, 1878. TN Accordance with a Resolution passed at the ANNUAL GENERAL MEET-ING of July 5th, 1877, the Directors have declared a Dividend to Shareholders of Taels 49.50 per Share for the fiscal Year ending the 30th September, 1877, and a further Dividend of Taels 10.50 per Share being interest on Shareholders' Capital at the Rate of 12 per cent, per Annum, for

the quarter ending December, 1877. The above Dividends (Taels 60 per Share) will be Payable on the 15th Instant, at the Office of the Secretaries to Shareholders of record on the 10th Instant. The Transfer BOOKS of the Association

will be CLOSED from the 10th to the 15th Instant, inclusive. Persons collecting Dividends for absent Shareholders are requested to exhibit their Powers of Attorney for registry at this

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For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSSEN & Co. Bongkong, January 16, 1878.

FOR MANILA. The Steamship

ESMERALDA" will be despatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 19th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to J. Y. V. SHAW,

Hongkong, January 15, 1878.

FOR YOKOHAMA & HIOGO. The Steamship "GALLEY OF LORNE expected from SINGAPORE, will have immediate despatch

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, January 10, 1878

Sailing Vessels.

FOR HAMBURG (DIRECT.) The A1 German Bark "JURGEN,"
WENDT, Master, will load here "JURGEN."

and meet with quick despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to SIEMSSEN & Co. Hongkong, December 28, 1877.

FOR HAMBURG. The A 1 Clipper Barque 1 GOLDEN RUSSETT,"
RICHARDSON, Master, will have quick despatch as above.

WM. PUSTAU & Co., Agents. Hongkong, November 28, 1877.

FOR LONDON. The 100 4 I British Ship "BROOMHALL, H. BATE, Master, will load

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Hongkong, January 7, 1878. FUR NAGASAKI.

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immediate despatch For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, January 5, 1678.

Shipping.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Barkentine "MARION,"

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Hongkong, January 3, 1878. FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Bark B. F. WATSON,"

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Hongkong, January 3, 1878. FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A 1 British Clipper Ship "CILURNUM," SHREWSBURY, Master, will load here for the above Port, and

For Freight, apply to YOGKL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, December 26, 1877.

will have quick despatch.

FOR HAMBURG AND LONDON. The A 1 British Ship

S. CLYMA, Master, having 3/4ths of her Cargo engaged, will load here as above, and will be despatched on or about the 31st December. For Freight, apply to

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

notices to Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

Hongkong, November 27, 1877.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s S. S. MONGOLIA. CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the abovenamed Vessel, from Bombay and Intermediate Ports, and in connection with the Steamers PESHAWUR from London, and

HINDOSTAN from Calcutta, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at the risk in the Company's Godowns, at West Point, whence delivery can be obtained from this date. Goods not delivered by the 22nd Instant

ADAM LIND, Superintendent. Hongkong, January 15, 1878.

will be subject to rent.

FROM LONDON AND PORTS OF CALL. THE S. S. Oyphrenes having arrived.

informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk and stored in the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained. Cargo remaining undelivered after the 21st Instant will be subject to rent. Optional Cargo will be sent on to

Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby

Shanghal, unless notice to the contrary is given by 4 p.m. To-day. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents, S. S. Cyphrenes.

Hongkong, January 14, 1878. MONSIGNEES of Cargo per Norwegian Bark VEGA, NOBDTVEDT, Master, from HAMBURG, are requested to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside the Vessel Cargo impeding the discharge will be anded and stored at Consignees' risk and-

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by WM. PUSTAU & Co. Agents, Hongkong, January 8, 1878.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

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NOTICE. CONSIGNEES of Congo per S. S. Indus, from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained

immediately after landing. Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before To-Morrow, the 10th Inst. at Noon, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

the Understaned. Goods remaining unclaimed after Walls RESDAY, the 16th January, 1878, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU POUEY,

Hongkong, January 9, 1872.

Agent.

Intimations.

OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAI STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, IN LIQUIDATION.

SECOND RETURN of CAPITAL at A the Rate of FIVE TABLE per BHARE will be made to Shareholders of record on the 1st October, Payable at the Office of the Liquidators, on the 8th Inst. Warrants will be delivered by the Underaigned to Shareholders, or their lawful representatives on presentation of Share Certificates for Endorsement.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be ULOSED from the 2nd to the 8th Instant, inclusive. By Order,

RUSSELL & Co.. Liquidators.

Shanghai, October 2, 1877.

To-day's Advertisements.

PUBLIC AUCTION. AMMERT, ATKINSON & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

THURSDAY, the 24th January, 1878, at Noon,-

The British Barque "ALPHINGTON." of 326 Tons Register, or of about 8,000

piculs Carrying Capacity, with all her TACKLE, APPAREL and INVENTORY. The Vessel was Built under Lloyds

special survey at Berwick-on-Tweed in 1856, Classed 12 years A 1. at Lloyds and continued in 1868 A 1, for 8 years. She was Remetalled over Felt in London in July, 1875.

TERMS :- One third of the purchase money to be paid on fall of the hammer, the remainder upon Transfer being effected. The Vessel is at Purchaser's risk immediately after fall of hammer, Hongkong, January 17, 1877. ja24

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THE U. S. Mail Steamer OITY OF PEKING will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on SATUR-DAY, the 19th January, at 3 p.m., taking

Passengers, and Freignt, for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to Sen Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central

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A REDUCTION OF TWENTY PER CENT on regular rates is granted to OFFICERS OF THE ARMY AND NAVY. AND MEMBERS OF THE UIVIL AND CONSULAR SERVICES IN COMMIS-BION

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m., 18th January. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same

is required. Consular Involces to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco. For further information as to Passage

and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 9, Fraya Central. RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 17, 1878. NOTIOE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, BAIGON. POINT DE GALLE, COLOMBO, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT SAID, NAPLES, AND MARSEILLES;

BOMBAY, MAHE, ST. DENIS, AND PORT LOUIS.

ON THURSDAY, the 24th January. 1878, at Noon, the Company's S. TIGRE, Commandant LORMIER, WITH MAILS, PARSENGERS, SPRUID, and CARGO, wall leave this Fort for the PDOA6 bruces

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Lurope.

Cargo will be received on board until d p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 23rd January, 1878. - (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required. For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office. H, DU POUEY,

Hongkong, January 17, 1878

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

MUNSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Leding to the Undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

Ho Fire Insurance has been effected. A. DU POUEY,

Ex "Sindh " W. P. Otder, 1 bale Samples, from London, Mr G. K. Harman, 1 1 case Cricketing H.M.S. Maguito. Goods, from London, Hongkong, January 17, 1878,

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR YOKOHAMA. The British Steamer " LORNE," shortly expected from Six-GAPORE, will have quick despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to MELCHERS & Co.,

Hongkong, January 17, 1878.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:-

FORMOSA, German 8-m. schooner, Capt. Schweer.—Melchers & Co.

ANNIE S. HALL, American barque, Capt. Chas. H. Nelson. - Captain. BIRKER, British ship, Captain W. Reynolds.—Order.

GLENFRUIN, British barque, Capt. Lang. VESTA, German barque, Capt. R. Dirks.

-Melchers & Co. R. C. RICKMERS, German ship, Captain R. O. Stolt. - Wm. Pustau & Co. PHARTON, British barque, Captain H. D.

W. Schul.-Wieler & Co. ADELINA & MARIANNE, German barque, Captain C. N. Dahl.—Wm. Pustau & Co. WARRIOR, British barque, Capt. William Baumann.—Wieler & Co.

QUICKSTEP, American barque, Captain Barnaby, - Captain, TARTAR, German brig, Captain Kaemena,

-Melchers & Co. MARCIA, British steamer, Capt. J. H. Broker.—Siemssen & Co. VELOCITY, British barque, Captain R

Martin. - Wm. Pustau & Co. ABERNYTE, British barque, Captain Congours. - Order.

BHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Jan. 17. Patroclus, British steamer, 1650 Billings, Shanghai Jan. 9, and Amoy 16, General.-BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE. Jan. 17, Lce Yuen, Chinese steamer, from

Jan. 17, Chun Tung, Chinese R. C., from Jan. 17, Rubicon, British 3-m. schooner 204, J. Timmsen, Swatow Jan. 16, Ballast,

-MEYER & Co. Jan. 17, Esmeralda, British steamer, 895 N. Cullen, Amoy Jan. 16, General. - J. Y

DEPARTURES. Jan. 17, Taiwan, for Coast Ports. 17, Mongolia, for Shanghai. 17, Samar, for Whampoa. 17, Geelong, for Europe; dec.

OLEARED. Alexandria, for Chefoo. R. U. Rickmers, for Diamond Island. Birker, for Manila, Washi, for Haiphong. Cassandru, for Saigon. St. Andresse, for San Francisco. Sophie D., for Iloilo. Cilurnum, for San Francisco. Albay, for Holbow. Norna, for Swatow, Lee Yuen, for Shanghai.

PASSENGERS.

Per Patroclus, from Shanghai and Amoy for Hongkong, Capt. Sinclair, and 30 Chi nese; for Singapore and Penang, Messra Bunn and Burrows, and 800 Chinese. Per Esmeralda, from Amoy, 1 deck and 90 Chinese.

DEPARTED. Per Geelong, from Shanghai: for Southampton, Mr W. A. Paynter. From Yokohama: for Southampton, Mrs Hartley, 3 children and nat. female servant, and Mrs Enslie; for Brindisl, Mr A. O. Mackay. From Hongkong: for Suez, Mr C. L. Phillips; for Southampton, Mr H. Roper; 27, Maxima, for Madras, 3 gun lascars. Per Taiwan, for Coast Ports, 200 Chi-

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Patroclus reports: Fresh Northerly winds and clear weather throughout.

The British 8-m. schooner Rubicon reports : Fresh N.E. monsoon throughout. The British steamer Esmeralda reports: Moderate Northerly winds and hazy westher throughout the passage.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS. | Sir Harry Parkes,

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET,-

The Franch Contract Packet TIGRE will Antenor (s.) be despatched from Hongkong on THURSDAY, the 24th Inst. with Bertie. Malls to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, vid Maresilles; to Baigon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Seychelles, Réunion, Mauritius, Suez, and Alexandria. This is the best opportunity for forwarding Correspondence to E. Africa, the Cape,

St. Helena, and Ascension. Letters may also be forwarded to Inbia by this Packet but can be paid only as far as Ceylon. The postage to Ceylon must be prepaid. Such letters should be marked Paid to Galle only they will go on from Galie as

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, do. Wednesday, 23rd Inst.

5 P.M., Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes except the Nieux Box. which remains open all night. Thursday, 24th Inst.

7 A.M., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence. 10 A.E. Registry of Letters ceases.

11 A.M. Post Office closes except for Late (11.10 a.m., Letters (but Letters only) except those to and through Australia, may be posted on payment of a to Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage,

11.80 A.M., when the Post Office Closus Hongkong, January 10, 1878,

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS MAILS will close:-

For HAIPHONG & HANOL-Per Charlton, at 11.80 a.m. To-morrow the 18th inst.

the 18th inst. For SHANGHAL .-Per Lee Yuen, at 3.30 p.m. To-morrow,

the 18th inst. For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS & LON-DON. -Per Patrochus, at 5 p.m. To-morrow, the

18th inst. For YOKOHAMA & SAN FRANCISCO. -Per City of Peking, at 2.30 p.m., Saturday, the 19th inst., instead of as previously notified.

For MANILA .-Per Esmeralda, at 4 p.m., on Saturday, the 19th inst. For SAIGON .--

Per Cassandra, is postponed till further

For HAIPHONG AND HANOL -Per Zamboanga, is postponed till further

Shipping Intelligence.

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18, Henry Lippett, New York Baltimore 2, Northampton,

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25, Globe, 11, North Star, Cardiff E. P. Bouverie, Penarth 14, Regulus, Cardiff Moss Glen, Penarth Cardiff 14. Patrie. New York 7, John Potts. 19, Felix Mendelssohn, London

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22, Harkaway, 28, Victoria (a.), 28. Fidelio. 25, Maria Rayano. 80, Peter, 2, Anna Bertha 8, Forest Belle.

4, Empire, Elcano, Kaiser, 16, Minerva (c.), 18, Wega, 19, Oscar. 25, Benedicta, 30. Lodore. 30, Alden Besse.

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Glengaber, Flushing 1, Nestor (s.), Liverpool Hamburg 3. Cairnamuir (e.), London London

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General Memoranda. SATURDAY, January 19:-3 p.m -American Mail leaves for Yoko-

bama and San-Francisco.

Noon. - Esmeralda leaves for Manila. Monday, January 21:-Goods per Cyphrenes undelivered after this date subject to rent,

TUESDAY, January 22:-Goods per Mongolia undelivered after this date subject to rent,

THURSDAY, January 24 :-Noon.-Brench Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe. Noon .- Sale of British barque Alphington,

FRIDAY, January 25 :-

8 p.m. - Meeting of Shareholders of the H., C. & M. Steamboat Co., Limited, at No. 50 A, Queen's Road. 4 p.m. - Meeting of Shareholders of the H. K. Hotel Co., Littlited, at Hong: kong Hotel.

FRIDAY, February 1:-

3 p.m.—Cooldental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW. Shipping.

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BIRTH.

At Hongkong, on the 17th January, the Wife of Captain J. E. PUNCHARD, of a Daughter. DEATH.

At Demarara, British Guiana, on the 8rd

November, 1877, THOMAS PITCAIRN FAIR-BAIRN, lately of Shanghai, of fever.

CHINA MAIL.

sidising the various educational establish-

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, JAN. 17, 1878. In writing recently on the Grant-in-Aid Scheme we expressed surprise that any person engaged in the work of education in Hongkong should hold aloof from such an excellent means as this for sub-

ments of the Colony without at the same time entrenching on religious beliefs and prejudices. We pointed out that an enlightened government of the present day is bound to assure itself by investigation of some kind that the public money it expends on education is fairly earned, and that the system of instruction it thus aids is worthy of its support; that it is the province of a government to care for the education of its people, and that the government who would hand this duty entirely over to priests, without care as to the results, would be neglecting its duty; that the Grant-in-Aid Scheme here is arranged on as liberal a scale as the finances of the Colony warrant, and that the Scheme is, moreover, based on exactly the same principles as the one in England. A correspondent, " R. C.," undertook a reply to this article, but the sum and substance of his letter, so far as it referred to the points in question, seemed to be that we had merely repeated our old arguments, from which it was useless to The ar ument on the legal point reserved the communication was occupied with remarks respecting St. John's and the Roman Catholic oathedrals, with which we had nothing to do. "R. C." evidently considered the pretence of an answer would be better, under the circumstances, than no reply at all, but even in regard to the solitary point he put forward so elaborately-that our arguments were not new-it would be interesting to learn the date of their previous appearance in the Mail. We oppose. have certainly no recollection of having

not, however, that the point is an im-

portant one, for if we have repeated the

same arguments it is at least some proof.

that we were impressed with their sound-

ness. The Grant-in-Aid Scheme being

in every respect similar to the one in

practice in England, its existence in this

Colony is in reality above all questioning;

and, while the withdrawal of the Roman

Catholic schools from Government aid

and inspection may be unfortunate for

the children being educated in them,

that the head of those schools is, finan-

The only practical objection that seems to be urged against the Grant-in-Aid Scheme is that the Government will only make grants to children who have been in attendance at school 200 times in the course of the year. It seems to us that unless a child has given this number of attendances, it is impossible it can have received a sufficiently satis factory education to justify the Government in supporting and encouraging by grants of money the institution in which it is being instructed. In this part of the world, where there is little or employment for children, and parents are reasonably alive to the advantages of education, there ought to be little or no difficulty in procuring attendances at school on something less than twothirds of the working days of the year. The only other objection, either of an ideal or a practical character, we have seen urged against the Grantin aid Scheme, is that it requires that four hours of the day shall be voted to secular instruction. In the recently published pamphlet on Central School a terrible picture drawn of the child who " must study four hours consecutively in every day, God and religion being absolutely banished four hours, or else, no grant, If or rest his brain, or say the Angelus, it does not matter that he works more than the four hours in the whole day, say six hours, if there are not them unbroken, consecutive hours devoted exclusively to secular study." This is a piece of sensational writing, viewed in any light, but when the fact is considered that the four hours of secular instruction need not be consecutive, the references to God become slightly ludicrous. As to the actual fact that the child is required instruction we have never been jection offered to such an arrangement, seeing that more than half the day is left, to say nothing of Sundays, in which the teacher can instil religion,—from the infallibility of the Pope, down to the powerful virtues of "holy water"-into heart's content. It is of course rather derogatory to priestly dignity that the Government should interfere in any way with the methods and subjects for instruction, even if it does assist in the work of education by money grants, and we strongly suspect that this forms the real objection of the head of the Roman Catholic Schools here to the scheme. We are happy to know, however, that as enlightened Governments recognise

ference is likely to increase. It was hardly within our intention to from Yim Aman. refer in this article to the Central School, but we may add that that institution seems to us somewhat analogous in principle to a School Board School at Home. There the parishioners have power, if they think fit, to establish a school which shall be supported from the rates, and free from denominational teaching. Here the Government takes the place of a Municipal Council, Board of Works, or other similar bodies, and in its wisdom it has established the Central School. As a public school it is free from denominational teaching, as are the Board Schools at Home. It is nonsense to talk of the superior education afforded at the Central School. It is perhaps hardly equal to the requirements of European children in this Colony, and we maintain the right of European residents here, as heavy rate-payers, to have a public school in the Colony in which their children may be educated according to the class education prevailing at Home. Considering the comparatively small amount contributed by Roman Catholics towards the revenue of the Colony, while half or more of the Europeans being educated in the Central School are of that creed, it seems to us Roman Catholic opposition to that institution comes with a very bad grace.

their duty more and more in regard to

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE Oriminal Sessions of the Supreme Court will be held to-morrow There are thirty cases sent up to the Sessions for trial.

attempt to turn us! The greater part of in the case of Hernsheim v. Forbes, as to whether variations of a contract would do away with the penalty stipulated for in the contract for delay, was heard before the Full Court to-day. The proceedings, for convenience sake, took place in the Chief Justice's house. The Attorney General, the Hon. G. Phillippo, instructed by Mr Brereton, made the motion, and Mr Hayllar, instructed by Mr Dennys, appeared to his concubine, were charged on remand

written anything of the kind before; The subscriptions for the relief of the aufferers by the Yesso explosion have reached a little more than \$11,000, including about 9 days ago. the very liberal amount subscribed by the notes stolen were Chartered Bank Measrs Douglas Lapraik & Co. The money 10,846, 6,798, 6,697, 10,000 and 8,886, and has been distributed to the sufferers or the note recovered we numbered 6,798. their friends by Mesare Leong On, and Wai Kwong, and Fung Cheting in the following proportions :- On account each. On account of Shopmen and boardthere is some satisfaction in knowing log house runners who were killed, about \$100 each. On account of coolles

cially, the only sufferer by the circum- boatmen who met their death, about \$70 each. For Survivors, about \$26 each. Those of the receipients who could give security were paid some days ago, but those who could not were paid to-day by Mr Wal Kwong at the Tung Wah Hospital,

> RETURN of Visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending 16th

		European	Chinese
Thursday, Jan	n. 10th.	55	432
Friday,	11th,		288
Saturday,	12th.	60	225
Sunday	13th,	79	Sunda
Monday,	14th,	65	345
Tuesday.	15th.	66	255
Wednesday,	16th.	59	612

INQUEST.

Grand total, 2,584.

An inquest was held this afternoon (17th) on the body of Yim Achoy, at the Government Civil Hospital by Mr James Russell, Coroner, with Messrs F. Dawson, J. W. Croker and F. De Sales Botelho, as Jury. Yesterday merning the deceased had hand-to-hand fight with some men over at from the beginning to the end of the Yow-mah-tee, and was struck not very he violently, but he died shortly afterwards, stops in the middle to eat his lunch, and it was found, from rupture of the

Dr Wharry, Superintendent of the Civil Hospital, was called. He proved the admission of the body, which was fairly nourished and bore no external marks of violence. On opening the body witness found the heart and lungs healthy, but there was a quantity of blood in the abdominal cavity, proceeding from two ruptures of the spleen, which was enlarged to twice or three times the natural size. The kidneys were and religion, lunch, and the Angelus also diseased. Death arose from rupture of the spleen, and some violence must have

been used to cause the rupture. Lee Asin, a stone-outter at Yowmahtee, to devote four hours a day to secular identified the body of the deceased, who was able a fellow workman. Yesterday morning even to understand the basis of the ob- about 11 o'clock, two men accused the deceased of stealing stones, and wanted to take him to the Station. A quarrel ensued. when the two men struck him several blows, on the left side of his body with their fists. Witness then went up to separate them. After this the quarrel was renewed, but no blows were struck and the deceased never the poor little brains of his pupil to his fell down. He walked back to the shed about 20 oheong distant, as if nothing had happened. In about a quarter of an hour after, however, he complained of illness, and died in an hour from the time of fighting. The deceased was sick several months ago for about three weeks. Witness did not know the two men, had not seen them before and could not identify them again.

Lew Acheung, foreman-workman at Yowmahtee, said he saw three men fighting, and two of them beating the deceased. Only a few blows passed. The rest of this witness evidence was only corroborative. He would know the two men again.

the education of the masses, this inter-Low Ayow, Sergeant Interpreter at Yowmahtee Station, proved taking the report Yim A-man, the head stoneoutter, was called. He was a clansman of the deceased, but he did not see the fight. He believed, however, that two men named Wong Low Hun and Yip Choong, employed in

blasting rocks, were the persons who beat the deceased as they had left their work Yim A-kum was next called. He saw the fight at a distance. He knew one of the men who beat the deceased was Yip

Sun Fook : the other one he did not know. Cheong Ke Shan, an herbalist who styled himself a surgeon, was next examined, but he displayed the most primitive knowledge of the surgical art. He did not even know how to feel the pulse, and did not know how the deceased came to his death: he only administered a pill and then walked away. Lee Ching On, overseer to the Government contractor building the drain over at Yow-mah-tee, was also examined, but he did not see the fight.

> Police Intelligence. (Before the Hon. O. May.)

The Jury returned a verdict of Man-

slaughter against Yip Sun Fook and a person

Jan. 17, 1877. Li Atak, a coolie, against whom sayeral previous convictions were proved, was committed for trial at the Supreme Court for stealing a jacket. The defendant denied

the offer ce, and said it was a false charge.

LIGHTS AND PASSES. A number of men were fined in sums of 10 cents, and upwards for being out without lights or passes after gun-fire. One was fined \$1 or 2 days' imprisonment for attempting to bribe the Constable (No. 166) who arrested him.

BEEALING SHOES. Wong Asing, a seaman unemployed, was sent to 21 days hard labour for stealing an old pair of shoes, the property of a boatwoman. He was caught by P. C. Bond whilst running away.

ODSTRUCTION. Several Chinese householders were fined in sums of from \$1 to \$5 for obstructing the thoroughfare.

THE \$500 BOBBERY.

Wong A.I. a hawker, and Pun Aking, with being e incerned in the robbery of five \$100 notes from Father Vigano. An Akwei, a chair-coolie, proved that defendants used to live with him at the

Canton Bazaar, and that they left his house Father B. Vigano said the numbers of

The 1st defendant said in defence that the note was lent to bim, by a boy named Atim, to darry on business. He (defendant) knew its value was \$100. The 2nd defendant said he was a woman and knew Passengers who have died, about \$140 nothing about the affair, except that the 1st defendant had told her a man lent him

> The 1st defendant was committed for trial and the 2nd defendant (the woman)

the note.

was ordered to give personal security in \$25 to appear if called on.

AN ELOQUENT CONTRAST. The Turkish newspapers of the week before last published a war-song, which has been officially distributed amongst the Russian soldiery with a view to incite them to enthusiastic action. The Hakkikat, a Turkish daily which, as far as we can see, is conducted in a civilized manner which might astonish some persons at home, makes apposite remarks upon the morale of this We are pleased to be able to quote "A simple perusal of this Russian chant de guerre," says our contemporary, "inspires pity and revolts against every sentiment of humanity; one may easily imagine the effect that it must produce upon the rude spirits of the savage hordes of the North, of those sanguinary barbarians who presume to make war in the cause of civilization and benevolence. What a picture it must be to hear thousands of hearse and drunken voices shouting these refrains which constitute atrocious' catechism of the brave children of holy Russia." In the official columns of the same paper we find a proclamation which was issued a few weeks ugo by Mouktar Pacha, commander-in-chief of the Turkish forces in Armenia, when he entered Russian

territory, and as the two documents are

fraught with great lessons of value to the

"atrocity" party in England, we hasten to reproduce them together. MUCHTAR PACHA'S RUSSIAN WAR SONG Do you hear? The - PROCLAMATION. alarm is sounding Soldiers, - Although in our own Form, in rank and country Pray to God, and march to battle! The Danube, that old most iniquitous, illefriend, rolls slowly before us. It is dark night; all the better! Sleep no more! Prepare the pontoons! The Turk loves sleep. oppressed inhabitants The columns tremble: of Erivan; that, in God protect us! We consonance with your cannot turn back, but innate good feelmust commence the assault | No Mussulman should be made hereditary generosity, you will avoid prisoner. They have every act which may massacred. have for its end the burnt alive, and impaled our friends! passions: that you We should not regret salutary law, which quarter ! Kill, kill ! Attack them with the bayonet! Brain them one amongst you will with the butt-ands of lower himself to folyour muskets! It low the examples of will serve them right! Russians in pillage But do not retreat and cruelty. It is a one step, it will be horrible crime to kill, better to sucoumb in defiance of every For the honour of creation of preserve you from being taken alive! from all unjust mur-You will have to unders, and from every dergo every outraye. act of pillage. God protect

Give

vanquished—it were

quarter !

better to die!

To

situte their punishment. Respect the and the honour of the poor inhabitants expression, as has been already done. This -for really their sympathies are with us; is the policy of 1805, which led to the buy nothing against the wishes of the vendors; disasters of 1806. As its natural consedo not hinder in the least their religious quence Prussia will be hated by all parties, observances and ceremonies; and pay respect and as her tortuous views are-already proto their holy places, their priests, and their claimed in every State in Europe, the feelchurches. Do not touch or destroy their ing is sure to have been roused, that it houses without they are used as fortifications | will be well to be beforehand with her. If by the Russian soldiery. Do not allow when a peace is arrived at, to which Prussia. yourselves to betray any unfriendly or has in no way contributed, but in the way malicious feelings towards them on account of which she has on the contrary acted as of any differences of belief, language, or stumbling-block, she should then set up manners. Neither torture nor kill prisoners | c'aims, she will be astounded at the manner or wounded, nor pursue the fugitives for the in which they will be received. purpose of taking their lives. Do not imitate the Russians in their cruelty and violence. Kill no one if you can make him prisoner, Prussia, is intelligible; but physical exand carry all the wounded into the hospitals; remember that every man to whatever religion he may belong is a noble creation of God. Consequently do not harass the enemy whilst in the act of burying their dead, and those they do not bury you must inter yourselves. Do not strike a foe when he has fallen, and be careful not to mutilate him in the least. As thinking men take to heart my important exhortations, obey your officers and respect your Holy Law.

THE LIFE OF THE PRINCE CONSORT.

The third volume of Mr Theodore Martin's "Life of His Royal Highness the Prince Consort" has been issued by Messrs Smith, Elder, & Co. The volume extends to 531 pages, and bears as a frontispiece an engraving, by F. Holl, of Winterhalter's portrait of the Duchess of Kent. Historically, it is not only valuable; but a propos. It deals with the time of the Crimean war, giving us the view of a German Prince wholly devoted to England, but not altogether popular of the time.

The volume opens in January 1854. and in March war with Russia was be, in the highest sense of the word, a war looming in the horizon. Here is Prince Albert's estimate of

THE RELATIVE POSITIONS OF THE POWERS. March 8, 1854.

fegard to the Eastern Question is naturally menaced by this war, for the world's of the utmost importance in its bearing greatest Powers will be weakened by it, a upon the course of the events to which this | But, above all, suffer me to ask, "Does question is certain to give rise. That stage God's law justify war for an idea?" This of the question is passed in which a peaceful last consideration it is that leads the writer solution was still conceivable. The Emperor to implore Her Mojesty, for the take of the has himself cut off the possibility of drawing Prince of Peace, not to reject the Russian back, and is bent upon war. This being so, proposals. . . Order them to be probed every proposal for further negotiations can to the bottom, and see that this is done in only be regarded by the Maritime Powers a desire for peace. Cause what may be he having for their object to deprive them | accepted to be winnowed from what appears of the very special advantage which they objectionable, and set negotiations on foot will enjoy from the outbreak of heatilities |upon this basis | I know that the Russian before the ice begins to break up. Such Emperor is ardently desirous of peace. negotiations will therefore be desired by Let your Majesty build a bridge for the the Allied Powers, being, as they are, life will walk over it extelling God and adverse to their interests. The main point praising Him. For this I pledge myself. to a close with all possible despatch. This to say one word for Prussia and for myself | war might even be declared, yet you excan only be done if the European Powers I am resolved to maintain a position of press the hope that for all that it might stick firming fogether. Their doing so will complete neutrality; and to this I add, still not break out. I cannot, unfortunately, with at the same time the surest guarantee with proud clation, My people and myself give countenance to the hope that the has transpired. I am giving Vicky every

which are fundamentally alien to it.

be able to maintain its existence or not is the industrious Rhinelanders and the husnot the question; and it would be useless | bandmen of the Riesengebirg and Bernstein. to seek to determine this problem by anti- Grant that the Russian tax-gatherers are cipation. But it is quite certain that, if an odious race, and that of late monstrous Europe maintains a united front against falsehoods have been told and outrages Russia, the solution must be in accordance perpetrated in the Imperial name. It was with European interests, because it makes the Turk, and not we, who suffered, and the realisation of the schemes of Russia im- the Turk has plenty of good friends; but possible. On the other hand, it is said, the Emperor is a noble gentleman and has cannot be conquered !" Russia, no doubt, that this North German sound practical is not a country to be conquered in the sense is difficult to gainsay. sense in which Napoleon in 1812 imagined | Should Count Gröben come too late, should it might be; but it is not therefore invinci- war have been declated, still I do not ble, as people there and in Germany say it abandon hope. Many a war has been derest in an unshattered army and in the God the Lord's will decides. maintenance of a wide expanse of territory, but in the stability and abundance of its material resources, and in its political homogeneousness and commanding position. Both may in the case of Russia be brought into extreme peril. By the loss of her western frontier territory she might even be reduced to a purely Sclavo-Asiatic State, which would cease to play an important part in the Councils of Europe.

If this be the general posture of affairs, what is the position which Austria and Prussia at this moment occupy in regard to them? To Austria, Turkey is an object of paramount interest, inasmuch as it is of moment to her to shake herself free of Russia, to which she has hitherto been bound by her dread of revolution. fears Russis, she fears revolution. As regards the latter, she could not possibly desire a stronger protection than that which suffered, on the part is offered to her by the alliance with of the Russians the the Liberal Western Powers, whose separation from the cause of revolution she gal, and barbarous insures by this alliance. This is very acts, I expect that clearly perceived even by the Revolutionary each of you will Committee, Mazzini, Kossuth, &c. Austria, conduct himself with while she does not trust Prussia, at the mildness towards the same time regards herself as not strong enough without Prussia, but still she is quite alive to the bearing of her own proper

Prussia-unhappy country! The King is the tool of Russian dictation, partly from fear of Russia, partly from an absurdly sentimental feeling for the Emperor as the representative of the Holy Alliance. believes bimself to have shown great and dignified independence in declining a Russian alliance, that could have only the one will never overstep object of drawing Prussia into conflict with the Western Powers in support of a Russian policy, which Prussia had joined with the is superior to all civil three Powers in declaring, by Protocol, to codes; and that no be injurious and dangerous to herself and to Europe! Anyhow the King declines all co operation with the West.

The Court party, from habit partly, and partly from self-interest, is servile to Russia, worships the Emperor as the champion of reaction, sees its own downfall in whatever weakens him, and so it besieges the King law, a human being with insignations against France and hing--the most admirable | land, with apprehensions of Russian vengeauce, and hypocritical cant about Christian God. therefore, duty in the East.

The Anti-Russian patriotic party is no doubt anxious for war against Eussia, provided it be waged by the Western Powers Do no harm to and Austria, but it has no wish that Prussia those who implore herself shall participate in the danger your protection, or to. Prussia is to profit by the opportunity the war will give her of stepping in as umpire, by which she fancies she may give the turn themselves commit to the European balance at some decisive orimes which neces- moment, and snatch for herself the reward, which the will think she has deserved.

This is a flagitious policy, and assuredly property, the homes, it was not very wise to have given it

That every good German desires the consolidation, perhaps the aggrandisement, of pansion is, and ought to be, the result of moral strength and struggle, and people ought to see that the war with Russia would offer many chances to attain the desired object in a way which Europe would regard as consonant with her own interests, and those of civilisation. On the other hand, the policy of seeking to embarrass Europe now, in order to fish in troubled waters later on, cannot fail to produce the opposite effect.

In March, when war had been declared by the Allies, and the first troops had been despatched to Malta, and the Baltic fleet had sailed from Spithead, the King of Prussia made a last attempt to intercede for his imperious brother-in-law in highly emotional letter to Queen Victoria

itself in the course which the King of Prussia then took.

THE KING OF PRUSSIA'S LETTER TO THE

Is it not strange—the pious monarch writes-that England seems for some time past to have been ashamed of what has been the special motive cause of the impending conflagration? Who now speaks of the Turk I On the contrary, the war will now for an idea (ein Tendenskrieg). The preponderance of Russia is to be broken down Well I, her neighbour, have never felt that preponderance, and have never yielded to it. And England, in truth, has felt it less The attitude of Austria and Prussis in than I. The equilibrium of Europe will be Russia, while they will not be tolerated by principle of his life—the Imperial honour! is to bring the war that is now inevitable In conclusion, will your Majesty allow me

that the question for which the war is are of one mind. They require absolute undertaken shall not degenerate into others | neutrality from me. They say (and I say), "What have we to do with the Turk?" Whether the Turkish Empire as such will Whether he stand or fall in no way concerns A war against Russia is foolish, for she | done us no harm. Your Majesty will allow

For the vital force of a State does not clared, and yet not come to actual blows. "Her Majesty's reply," Mr Martin remarks "was in German; and he

earnest conviction under which it was written is visible in the firm and fluent characters of the draft of it in the Prince's autograph : . . . without a word of erasure or interlineation."

THE QUEEN'S ANSWER.

Usborne, March 17, 1854. Dear Brother, -General Graf von Gröben has handed to me the official as well as private letter of your Majesty, and I send your friendly measenger back to you with answers to both. He will be able to tell regret that, after we have gone hand in hand from us at this critical moment. My regret is all the greater by reason of my inability even to comprehend the reason which induced your Majesty to take this step.

The recent Russian proposals came as an answer to the very last attempt at a compromise which the Powers considered they could make with honour, and they have de Strasbourg (the Emperor's creation), been rejected by the Vienna Conference, with the language of the programme, but meaning. Your Majesty's envoy has taken part in this Conference and its decision, and when your Majesty says, "where the vocation of diplomacy ends, there that of the Sovereign may with propriety begin," marcation, for what my ambassador does directed to adopt.

fixed idea, and that the grand ulterior conappeared to be neither more nor less than the key to the back door of a mosque.

Your Majesty calls upon me "to probe the question to the bottom in the spirit and love of peace, and to build a bridge for the Imperial honour." . . . All the devices and ingenuity of diplomacy and also of less charming. . . . A large dinnergoodwill have been squandered during the last nine months in vain attempts to build up such a bridge | Projets de Notes, con- tranchées," he said, "il y a quinze jours"ventions, protocols, &c., &c., by the dozen have emanated from the Chancelleries of the different Powers, and the ink that has gone to the penning of them might well one of them has been wrecked upon the is short, and wears his hair, which is black, self-will of your Imperial brother-in-law.

are now determined to assume an attitude of complete neutrality," and that in this mind you appeal to your people, who exclaim with sound practical sense, "It is to the Turk that violence has been done that Turk has plenty of good friends, and not understand you. Had such language fallen from the King of Hanover or of Saxony I could have understood it. But up to the present hour I have regarded pany Prussis as one of the five Great Powers, which since the peace of 1815 have been the, guaranters of treaties, the guardians of civilisation, the champions of right, and ultimate arbitrators of the nations; and have for my part felt the holy duty to It is odd to find history reproducing which they were thus divinely called, being at the same time perfectly alive to the obligations, serious as these are and fraught with danger which it imposes. Renounce these obligations, my dear brother, and in doing so you renounce for Prussia | Saturday as in the self-command which she

an umpire to appeal to. object in what I have said is to persuade touching. Abundance of tears were shed, double-edged digger. These preparations you to change your determination; it is a while deep, visible revolutions in the were not heard by the occupants of the genuine outpouring from the heart of a emotional natures of the two young people box, who were at the moment intent on the sister who is devoted to you, who could not and of the mother were taking place by dramatic action of the piece. The Proforgive herself if, at such an eventful which they were powerfully agitated. My sident was leaning forward, holding aside moment, she did not lay bare her inmost feeling was rather one of cheerful satisfact the curtain of the box with his left hand, soul to you. So little have I it in my tion and gratitude to God for bringing and glancing round at the audience in the purpose to seek to persuade you, that noth- scross our path so much that was noble and body of the house. Entirely unobserved ing has pained me more than the suspicion good, where it may, must, conduce to by anyone, Booth noiselessly approached expressed through General von der Groben | the happiness for life of those whom he has his victim, and, resting his pistol on the in your name, that it was the wish of Eng- endowed with those qualities, and who are chair, shot him through the back of the land to lead you into temptation by hold- in themselves as dear to me. The real head, Mr Lincoln swayed slightly foring out the prospect of certain advantages. Object of my writing to you now is to ward, and his eyes closed; but in other The groundlessnes of such an assumption is enclose Vicky's letter to you, which goes respects his attitude remained the same. apparent from the very terms of the treaty, | with this, and in which the child finds vent | He seems to have passed at once into a portant clause of which was that by which adjure you to come to us soon, we have so Rathbone, turning round at the report of the toe contracting parties pledged themselves, much to talk over. under no circumstances, to seek to obtain from the war any advantage to themselves. Your Majesty could not possibly have given of any strouger proof of your unselfishness than by your signature to this treaty.

But now to conclude! You think that

declaration will not be followed by immediate action. Shakespeare's words-

Of entrance to a quarrel; but, being in, Bear it, that the opposor may beware of theehave sunk deeply into every Englishman's heart. Sad that they should find their application here, where, in other circumstances, personal friendship and liking would alone prevail! What must be your Majesty's state of mind at seeing them directed against a beloved brother-in-law, whom yet, much as you love him, your conscience cannot acquit of the crime of having, by his arbitrary and passionate bearing, brought such vast misery upon the

ROYAL VISIT TO FRANCE. In August, 1855, the Queen and Prince visited Paris, where no English sovereign had set foot since Henry VI. Of this visit Mr Martin makes considerable use of Her Majesty's Diary, kept under her own hand. Paris was en fête. Her Majesty thus describes the progress of the Royal party through the city on their arrival, and we draw from the same interesting source some passages describing the impressions received from the visit :-Imagine this beautiful city, with its broad

streets and lofty houses, decorated in the most tasteful manner possible, with banners, flage, arches, flowers, inscriptions, and finimperfectly in writing, how deep is my troops, National Guards, and troops of the ancein what is called fashionable society:— occupant can regulate it by a ratchet you by word of mouth what I can only do ally illuminations, full of people, lined with line and Chasseurs d'Afrique, beautifully loyally, until now, you should separate kept and most enthusiastic! And yet this lives but a faint notion of this triumph, as it was. There were endless cries of "Vive la Reine d'Angleterre l' " Vive l'Empereur !" " Vive le Prince Albert !" The approaching twilight rather added to the beauty of the scene; and it was still quite light enough when we passed down the new Boulevard and along the Boulevards, by the Porte St. not because they were merely at variance Denis, the Madeleine, the Place de la Concorde, and the Arc de Triomphe de l'Etoile. because they were directly contrary to its | Here the light failed as the Royal cortege pursued its way through the Bois de Boulogne to St. Cloud. Troops, with their bands playing "God save the Queen," lined the whole route from the railway to the palace, artiflery, cavalry, Cent-Gardes I cannot concur in any such line of de- (who are splendid), and last, but not least, to my great delight, at the Bridge of he does in my name, and consequently I Boulogue, near the village and the Palace feel myself not only bound in honour, but of St. Cloud, the Zonaves, splendid troops also constrained by an imperative obliga- in splendid dress, the friends of my dear tion to accept the consequences, whatever Guards. In all this blaze of light from they may be, of the line which he has been lamps and torches, amidst the roar of cannon, and bands, and drums, and cheers, The consequences of a war, frightful and | we reached the palace. The Empress, with incalculable as they are, are as distressing Princess Mathilde and the ladies, received to me to contemplate as they are to your us at the door, and took us up a beautiful Majesty. I am also aware that the Emperor staircase, lined with the splendid Centof Russia does not wish for war. But he Gardes, who are magnificent men, very makes demands upon the Porte which the like our Life Guards. . . . We went united European Powers, yourself included, through the rooms at once to our own, have solemnly declared to be incom- which are charming. . . . I felt quite patible with the independence of the Porte | bewildered, but enchanted . . . every and the equilibrium of Europe. In view thing is so beautiful! The saloons are of this declaration, and of the presence splendid, all en suite; they, as well as the of the Russian army of invasion in the courtyard, staircase, &c., remind me of Principalities, the Powers past be prepared Bruhl. The ceilings are beautifully paintto support their words by acts. If the ed, and the walls hung with Gobelins. The Turk now retires into the background, and Salle de Mars is a very noble room, and the impending war appears to you to be opens into the fine long gallery called La a "war for an idea," the reason is simply Salle de Piane, in which we dined. The this, that the very motives which urge on room was terribly hot, for the table was the Emperor, in spite of the protest of all covered with wax lights, which quite dazzi-Europe, and at the risk of a war that may ed me. Everything was magnificent, and devastate the world, to persist in his de- all very quiet and Royal. . . . Everymands, disclose a determination to realise a body most civil and kind. Marshal Mag- could propagate so mere a fable, it becomes next place, their postal relations with nan told me that such enthusiasm as we necessary to give it, and all stories of the sequences of the war must be regarded as had witnessed had not been known in Paris far more important than its original not even in the time of the Emperor osteneible cause, which in the beginning Napoleon's triumphs; and General Lowesif there had been time. The National Guard were particularly civil and friendly. All regretted our arriving so late.

Sunday, August 19 .- Awoke to admire our levely room. The whole suite was no party. General Canrobert only just returned from the trenches -" J'étais dans les was the principal adkition. He sat next to me. I was delighted with him; such an honest, good man, so sincere and friendly, and so fond of the English, very enthusiasbe called a second Black Sea. But every tic, talking with much gesticulation. He rather long behind, has a red face and When your Majesty tells me "that you rolling eyes, moustaches and no whiskers, our troops immensely, spoke of the great difficulty of the undertaking, the sufferings we had all undergone, the mistakes which had been made, and most kindly of our generals and troops. I said I looked upon heard so much of him. He said, "Je suis presque un sujet de votre Mojesté," from being a member of the Fishmongers' Com-

BETROTHAL OF THE PRINCESS ROYAL. The following is from a letter, dated Oct. 2, 1855, of the Prince Consort to Stockmar, having reference to the betrothal of Prince Frederick William of Prussia and the Princess Royal:-

Prince Fritz William left us yesterday. as well during the closer explanation on the purity, innocence, and unselfishness of Derringer pistol, which he carried in h Let not your Majesty think that my the young man have been on his part equally right hand, while his left held a long, Here is a slight but instructive sketch

THE PRINCE AS A FATHER

Writing to his friend Stockmar and to the husband that is to be-to the former

In the matrimonial affair, nothing new

evening an hour for conversation, in which | This caused him to fall somewhat heavily. our chief topic is history. She knows a great deal. I al o give her subjects, which she works out for me. Her intellect is quick and thoroughly sound (richtig) in its

To the latter :-

In another way Vicky is also very busy she has learned much in many directions . . . She now comes to me every evening from six to seven, when I put her through a kind of general catechising, and in order to give precision to her ideas make her work out certain subjects by herself, and bring me the results to be revised. Thus she is now engaged in writing a short compendium of Roman History.

The volume closes with the settlemen of the Eastern difficulty in 1856, and th exchange of congratulations upon that event by the Queen and the Emperor Napoleon.

A MISERABLE CALUMNY REFUTED. Assuredly this excellent biography wa not needed to vindicate the Prince's reputation with his adopted countrymen, but it can scarcely fail to exalt his fame, and to endear his memory. Still calumny is long-lived, and it was perhaps not superfluous, though we are reluctant to think so, to print the following authoritative contradiction of a prevalent delusion; we do not say a popular delusion, | way.

It may be convenient here once for all the many to which the Prince was subjected, which, so far as we are aware, keeps any hold upon the public mind, viz., that he had amassed large sums of money out of the income allowed him by the nation, part of which had been invested in the purchase of land at South Kensington, adjoining the property of the Exhibition Commissioners. The Prince never purchased any land at South Kensington either for himself or his family. Connected as he was with the acquisition of ground there for purely national purposes, the thought of acquiring property in the same locality for personal purposes would never have entered his mind, or the mind indeed of any honourable man. But, in truth, the Prince never had the means to make purchases of this nature. His whole income on Tuesday, Mr W. F. de Salis, the chairwas no more than sufficient to meet the salaries of his secretaries and other officials | tion of the mail contracts with the Governand servants, his public subscriptions, and ment, said there was a good deal of unnesuch purchases of works of art as were ex- cessary uneasiness on this subject on the pected from him. He was often blamed part of some of the proprietors. The board same kind, an emphatic denial.

It has been impossible in these hurried tein said that all France would have come extracts to do justice to the abounding proofs furnished of the large burden which the Prince Consort bore in all these grave and great events. The compiler himself has obviously been drawn by what may be called the main river of history out of the minor channel of biography, and the vast drama of Empires necessarily obscures the individualism of even its most illustrious actors. But in almost every page of this interesting and profitable instalment of Prince Albert's life manifestations will be seen of that faithful and sagacious patriotism which became with him as much a ruling passion as was his devoted affection to Her carried his head rather high. He praised Majesty. None can rise-we repeat itfrom a study of this volume without the conviction-first, that never was Queen more gloriously worthy of her people's love, gratitude, and reverence than the the Emperor has done us no harm,"-I do him as an old acquaintance, from having noble and great-hearted Sovereign Lady who rules this Empire, and next, that never did subject serve her and the State with more perfect self-devotion than the Prince her husband.

> THE ASSASSINATION OF PRE-SIDENT LINCOLN.

At a quarter past ten, a young man named John Wilkes Booth-son of Junius Brutus Booth, a well-known English actor of the days of Edmund Kean, and himself connected with the stage-passed along the Vicky has indeed behaved quite admirably, box-lobby, and, exhibiting a card to the President's messenger, obtained an entrance into the vestibule of the State Box. the status she has hitherto held. And if displayed subsequently and at the parting. then quietly closed the door behind him, the example thus set should find imitators, | She manifested towards Fritz and ourselves | and fastened it by bracing a short plank European civilisation is abandoned as a the most childlike simplicity and candour across from one of the side partitions to the plaything for the winds; right will no and the best feeling. The young people other. Having thus secured himself from longer find a champion, nor the oppressed are ardently in love with one another, and external interruption, he drew a small which was offered to you, the most im- to her own feelings. Let me once more state of total unconsciousness. Major pistol, saw through the smoke a man standing between him and the President. He endeavoured to ssize him ! but Booth, tearing himself away, and dr pping the pistel, struck at his antagonist with the dagger, and wounded him severely in the left arm. Exclaiming "Sid semper tytannis "he leaped over the front of the box on to the stage, but caught one of his spura in the national flag which lung immediately below where the L'resident was sitting.

though only for a moment. On regaining his feet, he faced the audience, brandished his dagger in a melodramatic way, and shouted, "The South is avenged !" Before anyone could stop him, he rushed towards the stage-door, which his familiarity with theatres enabled him to find with facility. and excaped into the open air. He had provided himself with a horse, and on this he fled swiftly into Lower Maryland .-Edmund Ollier's History of the United

IMPROVED PASSENGER CAR. A new "Palace" car chair has been introduced by the Chicago and Alton Rallroad Company, which is attracting considerable attention among railroad men. It will be known by the name of the Horton Palace Chair-car, deriving its title from the inventor and patentee, Dr N. N. Horton, a resident of Kansas City. In its construction the car embraces some rather novel principles. It was built by the Chicago and Alton Company at the Blooming. ton shops, and was undertaken as an experiment. The car has cost about 6.000 dols. It contains forty chairs, and the number could, it is claimed, be increased to forty-four, without taking from the comfort of the passengers. The chairs are stationed in pairs, and being placed on a pivot, revolve without locking with each other or obstructing the passage Each chair is looked or unlockfor we believe it had found most accept- ed on the automatic principle, and the quick adjustment. The chairs are provided to dispose of perhaps the only calumny, of with both leg and foot rests, and are adjust able to fifteen different changes of postures of the body, if the occupant chooses to throw himself into so many attitudes. If two persons care to converse, they sit vis.d.vis, or they can incline at an angle of 46 degs., or they can stratch themselves at full length in a nearly horizontal posts tion. The frame of the chair consists mainly of cast iron. It is claimed that this pattern of chairs can be introduced into ordinary passenger coaches at a cost & little in excess of that of the regular seat.

THE P. & O. COMPANY. At the annual meeting of the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company man, speaking of the approaching terminabecause these purchases were not on a fully expected that the contract would be larger scale. The fault was not with him, put up again to tender, as that was the but in the very limited means at his dis- usual course; but although the directors posal, and as to these his only regret was asked for no favour in tendering it, still that they did not enable him to do for art | they claimed during the period of thirtyand science all that he would have wished. eight years to have performed the respon-It was only by strict economy that the sible function entrusted to them to the year's current expenditure was made to satisfaction of the Post Office as well as square with the year's income, and the Parliament. When the proper time arrived Prince died, leaving absolutely no fortune; they would be prepared to tender for the indeed, barely enough to meet his personal new contract on such terms as, in their liabilities. And yet even recently we were judgment, would yield a fair return on assured, upon the authority of an eminent | their capital, and he ventured to assert that statesman, who survived the Prince many that connection which had so long and so years, and who professed to speak from happily subsisted between the company and personal knowledge, that he left behind in the public service would not be dissolved. one of his investments no less a sum than | In the first place, the capital of the com-600,0001.! The statesman in question was pany was so large, its establishments in the not always exact in his statements, and he | East were so well appointed, and it had so was never less exact, or more inexcusably large an experience of the postal service, so, than in this instance. But if a man, that they were able to perform it better whose position gave weight to his words, and cheaper than any one else; and in the India, whether regarded from a social, commercial, or political point of view, had at the present day assumed such vast importance that no government would feel justified in trusting them to any save experienced hands, certain to carry them out under all contingencies, and on this point they would have the Post Office with them. The report was adopted, and the

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Agents for the above Company Hongkong, Canton, Fooshow, Shanghi and Hankow, and are prepared to gran Insurances at current rates, HOLLIDAY, WISE & Oc. Hongrong, October 14, 1808.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked h., near the Kowloong shore k., and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked c., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

1. From Green Island to the Gas Works. 2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works. 3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.

5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Whart. 6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard. 7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.

8. From Pier to East Point.

Flag and Date of Vessel's Name. Captain, Tons. Consignees or Agents. Destination, Remarks. Steamers Albay 5 h F. Ashton Brit. str. Hollow & Halphong To-day 14 Douglas Lapraik & Co. Amoy Drewes Brit. str. Shanghai 876 Jan. 8 Siemssen & Co. K'loon Dock Camoes.....Brit. 2 Kwok Acheong Carisbrooke 2 h Wharton Brit. str. Repairing 19 Man Hing Chan Cassandra 4 c Langer Ger, str. 14 Wm. Pustau & Co. Salgon Halphong & Hanoi To-morrow 15 Hop Kee & Co. City of Peking 3 h Tanner Amer. str. Fame 6 h Stopani Brit. str. Thama & S. Folsco 19th, noon H.K. & W'pos Dock Co. Tug Plying *************** K'loon Dock Hollow & Haiphong 333 Jan. 15 Siemssen & Co. Kwok Acheong rates.
Subject to a charge of 12 % for interest on Shareholders' Capital, ALL THE PROFITS

Lee Yuen
Malacca
So Smith
Brit, str. 1104
Brit, str. 1060 Shanghal Yokohama 14 P. & O. S. N. Co. Mails str. 1104 Jan. K'loon Dook *** ************* at daylight Swatow Panay Goyenechea ... Span. Bands' Blip ************* Patroclus 5 c Billings Brit. London, &c. str. 1650 Sea Gull 5 h Roberta Brit. Sept. 19 Insurance Company str. Sin Nanzing Drage Brit.
Washi 5 h Hunter Brit. Shanghal 21 Jardine, Matheson & Co. Kloon Dock Haiphong & Hanol at daylight 14 Landstein & Co. Yesso...... S. Ashton Brit. 559 Nov. 22 Douglas Lapraik & Co. str. Coast Ports K'loon Dook Sailing Vessels Abernyte Congours Brit. bge. Ada Wiswell 2 k Wiswell Am, 3m, so, 558 Nov. 28 Captain Adelina & Marianne... 2 o Dahl Ger. bqe. 7 Wm. Pustau & Co. Alden Besse Noyes Amer. bge. 842 Dec. Con'tan Dock 27 Rozario & Co. Alexandra 8 c Elliott Brit, bge, 26 Douglas Lapraik & Co. 407 Nov. Alphington 3 c Cunningham ... Brit, bqe, 326 Sept. 6 Wieler & Co. For Sale ************** Amie Florence Johnson Brit. 8 Borneo Co., Limited Sands' Slip ************** Angele 2 c Barbeyron Foh. bqe. Melbourne & Sydney 891 Nov. 14 Carlowitz & Co. Anna 8 h Jessen Ger. 7 Eduard Schellhass & Co. Annie Lorway 4 c Gales Brit. bge. Annie M. Smull 2 c Packer Amer. sh. 752 Jan. 8 Ohinese 4 Russell & Co. Annie S. Hall 4 k Nelson Am.bktine. 10 Vogel, Hagedorn & Co. Nagazaki Antipodes 2 c Wyeth Brit, bge. 16 Arnhold, Karberg & Co. 4 Eduard Schellhass & Co. B. F. Watson 3 k Hawkins Amer. bge. 993 Nov. 25 Vogel, Hagedorn & Co. New York NOV. Sanda' Blip Birker Reynolds Brit. Cos'tan Dock Brisbane 4 c Hudleston Brit, bge, 17 Russell & Co. Broomhall Bate Brit. Wambhai Pler Carl Ritter...... 7 h Lausen Ger. bge. 5 Siemssen & Co. 5 Wm. Pustau & Co. Nov. 30 Rozario & Co. Charter Oak 3 c Staples Amer. sh. 24 Vogel, Hagedorn & Co. Honolulu Cilurnum 3 h Shrewsbury ... Brit. sh. 1884 Sept, 25 Vogel, Hagedorn & Co. San Francisco City of Halifax Evans Brit, 24 Meyer & Co. Wanchai Plez *************** Clara 8 c Chalmers Brit. 7 Arnhold, Karberg & Co. Corean..... & h Vincent Amer. sch. 25 Insurance Co. Dauphin 3 c Lebonnais Fch. 7 Eduard Schellhass & Co. 818 Jan. E. von Beaulieu 3 c Schneider Ger. 6 Eduard Schellhass & Co. 3 Arnhold, Karberg & Co. Wanchai Pier 23 Arnhold, Karberg & Co. Fanny Fch. bge. 818 Jan. 12 Carlowitz & Co. 240 Jan. 13 Carlowitz & Co. Ferdinand 7 c Westergaard ... Ger. 26 Arnhold, Karberg & Co. Flodden Bh Fraser Brit. bge. 80 Wieler & Co. Fortune 2 h Petterson Slam. bge. 449 Dec. 20 Tak Mes G. H. Wuppuns 1 c Diedrichsen ... Ger. 16 Carlowitz & Co. Georgina..... 4 k Romney Brit, bge, 8 Wm. Pustau & Co. Glamorganshire 4 c McEachern ... Brit. bue. 2H. Kiær & Co. Glory 2 h Thompson Siam, bge, Nov. Golden Spur 4 c Farrell Brit. Great Admiral 8 c Thompson Amer. sh. 1576 Aug. 19 Russell & Co. Herbert Black 8 c Treat Amer. bqe. 578 Jan. 6 Wm. Pustan & Co. 17 Eduard Schellhass & Co. 330 Dec. lonian 3 c Cave Brit. bqe. Nov. Jalo...... 7 c Moberg Russ. sh. 20 Landstein & Co. 504 Dec. 31 Douglas Lapraik & Co. Jessie Jamieson......8 c West Brit. bge. 18 Butterfield & Swire Julia A. Brown......4 c Nickerson Am. 3m. sc. 15 Siemssen & Co. Jurgen 4 c Windt...... Ger. bqe. Hamburg Kalaja..... 3 k Roos Russ. bqe. 12 Order Jan. Kate Waters 4 k Giese Brit. bqe. 3 Rozario & Co. 5 Carlowitz & Co. Marie Charlotte 4 c Mehonas...... Fch. bqe. Marie Louise 3 k Guilboux Fch. bqe. 25 Carlowitz & Co. 23 Vogel, Hagedorn & Co. Marion 4 k Howes Am. 3m. sc. New York 14 Olyphant & Co. May...... Brit. 3m.sc. 237 Jan. 3 Arnhold, Karberg & Co. May Queen4 c Prior Brit. bqe. Mignon 2 c Soule Am. 8m. sc. 14 Order Montiara4 c Ravnkilde Brit. sch 74 Jan. 5 Tack Mee Morning Star 2 h Michaelsen ... Slam. bqe. 570 Jan. 29 Melchers & Co. Niagara 4 h Wischhusen ... Ger. bqe. Manila 6 Chinese Norseman 1 h Tarek Siam. 6 Wieler & Co. Northern Star 4 c Wortley Brit. 20 Vogel, Hagedorn & Co. Oneida 2 c Clyma Brit. Papa 7 c Blaje Ger. London & Hamburg 15 Siemssen & Co. 17 Eduard Schellham & Co. 5 Wieler & Co. Phæton 4 c Scheel Brit. Quickstep 3 c Barnaby Amer. bge. 4 Captain 28 Wm. Pustau & Co. Dlamond Island 5 Tek-mes Hop-kes Rapid Siam. bge. 27 Wm. Pustau & Co. Rosa Boettcher 3 c Schultz Ger. 15 Captain Samar 2 c Millar Amer. Whampoa New York Cleared 8 Russell & Co. Samos 4 h Bryant Amer. sch. 5 Landstein & Co. Sophie D. 5 k Parazolo Fch. Cleared 22 Carlowitz & Co. San Francisco St. Adresse 4 c Leroy Foh. Cleared 26 Carlowitz & Co. 4 Carlowitz & Co. 4 Carlowita & Co. SullyFch. 5 Russell & Co. Sumatra 3 k Clough Amer, 11 Melchers & Co. Tartar Ger. bg. Tay Watt 2 b Williams Siam. bge. Dec. 27 Chinese 30 Captain Dec. Jardine's 8lip 8 Wm. Pustan & Co. 12 Wm. Pustan & Co. Velocity 3 c Martin Brit. bqe. 22 Melchers & Co. Dec. Tientsin Nov. 11 Borneo Co., Limited Triesto Viscount McDuff 4 k Wright Brit. 3m.sc. 20 Wm. Pustau & Co. Dec. W. E. Gladstone 6 c Gallichan Brit. bqe. 919 Jan. 8 Wieler & Co. Warrior Brit, bqe. AOTMAEW Brown Brit. str. 978 Jan. 13 Meyer & Co. Amboto Quatresous..... Foh. bqe. Wildfang Ger. bqe. Charles Moureau 13 Landstein & Co. 18 Ubinese Jan. Christine 14 Melobers & Co. Schweer Ger. 3m. so. Jan, Formosa 843 Det. 24 Eduard Schollhass & Co. Hansen !!!!!! Dan, bge. Kronprindsessen min CANTON. Jan. 18 Siemssen & Co. Schultze Brit. Shanghal Yangtaze

Men-of-war in Hongkong Harbour.

Vessel's Name.	Ancher.	Flag.	Class.	Tons.	Guns,	Н. Р.	Date of Arrival.	Commander.
Atalante Audacious Chop-chung Chun Tung Curlew Fly Growler Lapwing Le Hugon Meeance	6 6 h 6 h 6 K.D. 6	French British Chinese Chinese British British British British British French	iron-clad (flag-ship) gunboat revenue cruiser gun vessel gun vessel gun vessel gun vessel gun vessel man-oi-war	8389 6034 800 150 774 464 464 774 1246	1714 : 288448	450 800 40 160 120 120 160	Jan. 8 Dec. 10 Jan. 10 Jan. 17 Dec. 11 Nov. 20 Dec. 19 Dec. 9 Jan. 5	Calllet F. Durrant Lee Tack Ming R. J. Church M. McNeile C. E. D. Willcox W. G. Scott M. Galache
Mecance Nassau Swinger Victor Emanuel Vigilant	6 h 6 h	British British British British British	military hospital surveying vessel gun vessel Commodore's flageship despatch vessel	2591 877 408 3087 856	14 2 14 2	150 60 250	Dec. 6 Nov. 80 Jan. 13	R. H. Napler O. P. Tudor Commodore Watson Lt. Com. Annesis

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